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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

ZUR MEGEDE et al.

Confirmation No.: 1709

Serial No.: 09/899,575

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Filing Date: July 5, 2001

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Title: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING ANTIGENIC HIV TYPE C
POLYPEPTIDES, POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested in order to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed August 7, 2001.

___ One month to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$55 ___ \$110

X Two months to December 7, 2001. The extension fee is
___ \$200 X \$400

___ Three months to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$460 ___ \$920

___ Four months to _____. The extension fee is
___ \$720 ___ \$1,440

___ Five months to _____. The extension fee is

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 \$980 \$1,960

- A (one) (two) month Petition for Extension of Time was previously filed with the appropriate fee on .
- The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated .
- X A check to cover the \$ 400 extension fee is attached.
- Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

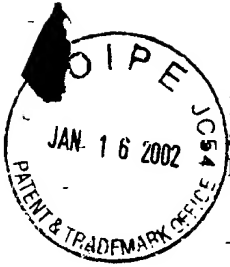
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Dec 7, 2001

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**BLANKET PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND
AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

If a paper is untimely filed in this application or any file wrapper continuation application derived therefrom by applicant(s) or her/his/their representative, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) to Deposit Account No. 18-1648. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

If a paper is concurrently or subsequently filed in this application or any file wrapper continuation application derived therefrom by applicant(s) or her/his/their representative and a fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17 is required to effect any amendment, petition or other action requested in said paper, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any deficiency in said fee, or credit any overpayment of said fee, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

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